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REMARKS

Claims 1-5 remain pending in this application. Claims 1-5 are rejected. Claim 4 is objected to. Claims 1-5 are amended herein to clarify the invention and to address matters of form unrelated to substantive patentability issues.

Applicants herein traverse and respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of the claims and objections cited in the above-referenced Office Action.

The Office Action states that the specification is objected to for various informalities. The specification is amended to correct various typographical, grammatical and idiomatic informalities including those noted in the Office Action. No new matter is added. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully solicited.

Claim 4 is objected to for a noted informality. The claim is amended to correct the informality in terminology. Withdrawal of the objection is earnestly solicited.

Claims 1-5 are rejected as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention as a result of informalities stated in the Office Action. The claims are amended to remove or correct the informalities noted in the

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Office Action. Therefore, reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1-5 and their allowance are earnestly requested.

Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Dalakian (US 5,222,409). Applicants herein respectfully traverse these rejections. "Anticipation requires the presence in a single prior art reference disclosure of each and every element of the claimed invention, *arranged as in the claim.*" *Lindemann Maschinenfabrik GmbH v. American Hoist & Derrick Co.*, 221 USPQ 481, 485 (Fed. Cir. 1984) (emphasis added). It is respectfully submitted that the cited reference is deficient with regard to the following.

Each of the independent claims 1 and 5 now includes a recitation directed to "the drive device being disposed entirely within said width of the heavy object." No such feature is taught or suggested in the cited reference.

Furthermore, claims 1 and 5 also include the recitation "ball bearings each having bearing contact angle to a line perpendicular to the axial line." Applicants respectfully submit that the cited reference is similarly devoid of this claimed feature, instead teaching single row groove ball bearings.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-5 particularly describe and distinctly claim elements not disclosed in the cited reference. Therefore, reconsideration of the rejections of claims 1-5 and their allowance are respectfully requested.

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No fee is believed due. If there is any fee due the USPTO is hereby
authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper
form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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